# STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 22-215 (Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 7(a) of the Florida Constitution provides that the Governor may suspend from office any county officer for commission of a felony; and

WHEREAS, Jose Angel Martinez is presently serving as a County Commissioner for Miami-Dade County, Florida, District 11, having been elected in 2016 to serve a four-year term and reelected in 2020; and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 2022, an Information was issued against Martinez for the felony charges of unlawful compensation for official behavior, in violation of section 838.016(1), Florida Statutes, and conspiracy to commit unlawful compensation, in violation of section 838.016 and section 777.04(3), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the above violations constitute felonies in the second and third degree, respectively; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of Miami-Dade County, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Martinez be immediately suspended from the public office that he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this Executive Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(a), find as follows:

A. Jose Angel Martinez is, and at all times material hereto was, County Commissioner,District 11, Miami-Dade County, Florida.

- B. The office of County Commissioner, District 11, Miami-Dade County, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(a).
- C. The Information alleges that Jose Angel Martinez has committed felony acts in violation of the Laws of Florida. This suspension is predicated upon the attached Information, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

**BEING FULLY ADVISED** in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

<u>Section 1.</u> Jose Angel Martinez is suspended from the public office that he now holds, to wit: County Commissioner, District 11, Miami-Dade County, Florida.

<u>Section 2.</u> Jose Angel Martinez is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, Florida, this 20th day of September, 2022.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE



# IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MIAMI- DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA SPRING TERM, 2022

THE STATE OF FLORIDA V.

JOSE A MARTINEZ

Defendant(s)

### INFORMATION FOR

- 1. UNLAWFUL COMPENSATION/REWARD FOR OFFICIAL BEHAVIOR 838.016(1) FEL 2D
- 2. CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT UNLAWFUL COMPENSATION 838.016 & 777.04(3) FEL 3D

# IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

**KATHERINE FERNANDEZ RUNDLE,** State Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, prosecuting for the State of Florida, in the County of Miami-Dade, by and through her undersigned Assistant State Attorney, under oath, Information makes that:

VANDERGIESEN,TIM :TV 08/30/2022 Circuit Court Direct File Jail No. 220149794 ,Bkd: 8/30/2022 , CIN: 1258146, W/M, DOB: 9/18/1957

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#### COUNT 1

JOSE A MARTINEZ, on or between November 14, 2016 and August 23 2017, in the County and State aforesaid, being a public servant, to wit: a Miami-Dade County Commissioner, did knowingly and intentionally request, solicit, accept, or agree to accept any pecuniary or other benefit not authorized by law, to wit: U.S. coin or currency and/or financial compensation, for the past, present, or future performance, non-performance, or violation of any act or omission which Jorge Negrin and/or Sergio Delgado believed to be and/or public servant represented as being and/or within the official discretion of a public servant , to wit: creation of legislation and/or assistance with code violation fines and fees, in violation of s. 838.016(1), Fla. Stat., contrary to the form of the Statute in such cases made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

### COUNT 2

And the aforesaid Assistant State Attorney, under oath, further information makes JOSE A MARTINEZ, on or between November 14, 2016 and August 23 2017, in the County and State aforesaid, being a public servant, to wit: a Miami-Dade County Commissioner, did unlawfully agree, conspire, combine, or confederate with another person or persons, to wit: Jorge Negrin and/or Sergio Delgado, to commit a felony, to wit: Unlawful Compensation, in violation of s. 838.016 and 777.04(3), Fla. Stat., contrary to the form of the Statute in such cases made and provided, and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

## STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE:

Personally known to me and/or appeared before me physically or by telecommunications, the Assistant State Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida whose signature appears below, being first duly sworn, says that the allegations set forth in this Information are based upon facts which have been sworn to as true, by a material witness or witnesses, and which if true, would constitute the offenses therein charged, and that this prosecution is instituted in good faith.

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Assistant State Attorney/Bar #: 391610 1350 NW 12th Ave., Miami, FL (305) 547-0100

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th	day of	August	, 2022
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By



/s/ Tony Nixon

Deputy Clerk for Clerk of the Courts, or Notary Public